

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

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Claim 1 (amended) High strength alloy of aluminum-zinc-magnesium-copper system comprising the following components (in mass. %):

Zn	6.35-8.0	Si	0.01-0.2
Mg	0.5-2.5	Fe	0.06-0.25
Cu	0.8-1.3	Zr	0.07-0.2
Cr	0.001-0.05	Ti	0.03-0.1
Mn	0.001-0.1	Be	0.0001-0.05

and at least one element selected from the group consisting of:

K 0.0001-0.01,  
Na 0.0001-0.01 and  
Ca 0.0001-0.01; and  
Al-balance.

Claim 2 (amended) High strength aluminum-based alloy of claim 1, wherein the sum  $Zr+2Ti \leq 0.3\%$ .

Claim 3 (amended) High strength aluminum-based alloy of claim 1, wherein the ratio  $Si:Be \geq 2$ .

Claim 4 (amended) An article made of a high strength aluminum-based alloy said

alloy comprising the following components (mass.%)

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Ca 0.0001-0.01; and  
Al-balance.

Please add the following new claims:

Claim 5 (new). The alloy of claim 1, wherein the alloy consists essentially of said components.

Claim 6 (new). The alloy of claim 1, wherein the alloy consists of said components.

Claim 7 (new). The alloy of claim 3, wherein the alloy consists essentially of said components.

Claim 8 (new). The alloy of claim 3, wherein the alloy consists of said components.